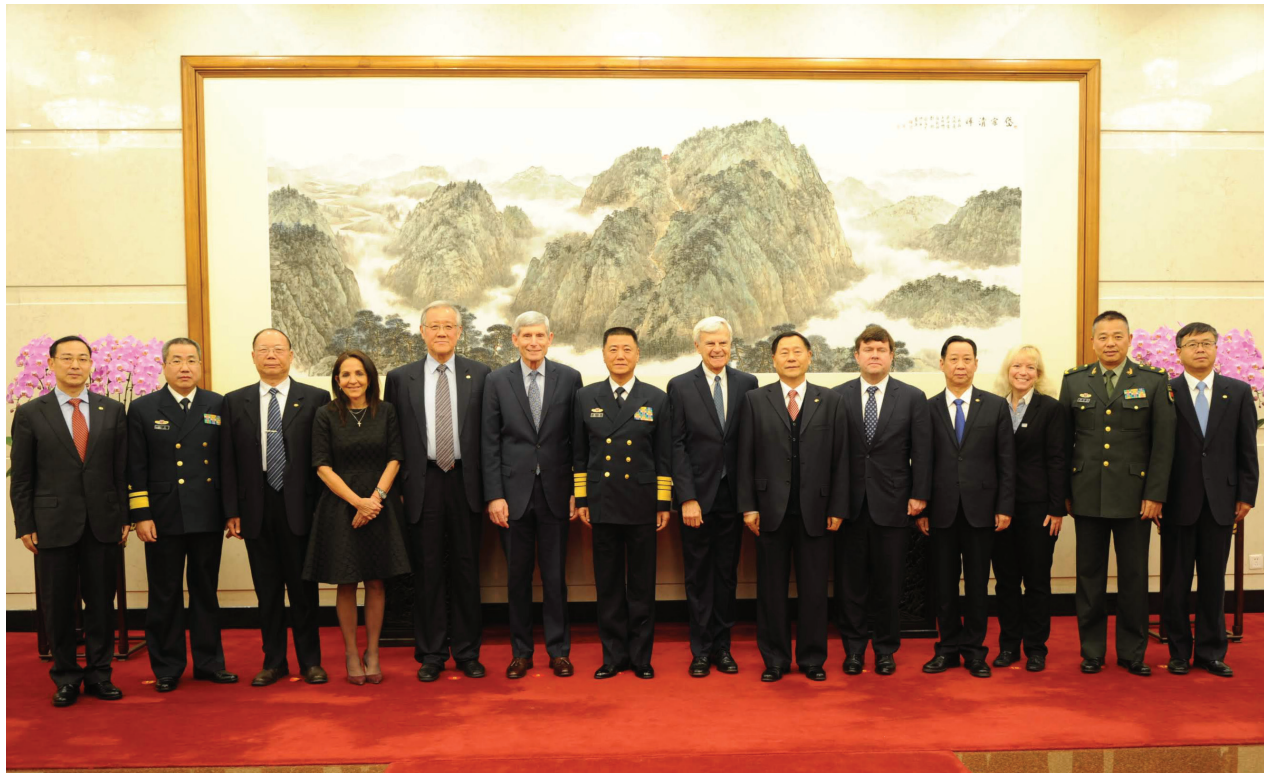




# U.S.-China Sanya Initiative Dialogue

Report from the 10th Anniversary Meeting

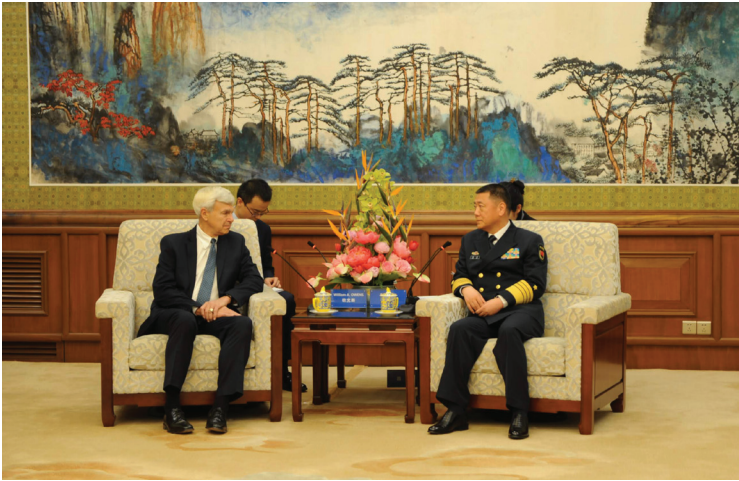


U.S. and Chinese delegates meet with Admiral Miao Hua of the Central Military Commission of the People's Republic of China.

The EastWest Institute (EWI) convened the 10th anniversary of the U.S.-China Sanya Initiative from October 27 to 29, 2018. The dialogue was made possible through the generous support of the **China-United States Exchange Foundation (CUSEF)** and other private donors and was organized in close partnership with the **China Association for International Friendly Contact (CAIFC)**. Retired American and Chinese senior flag officers and executives of the hosting organizations met in Beijing to discuss critical issues of mutual concern and interest impacting the U.S.-China military-to-military relationship, including North Korea, Taiwan, the South China Sea, emerging technologies, as well as other regional security challenges.

The dialogue afforded timely opportunities for substantive exchanges prior to the November 9th meeting between U.S. Secretary of Defense James Mattis and Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, and Chinese Minister of Defense Wei Fenghe and State Councilor Yang Jiechi. Planned activities included two days of off-the-record discussions at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse in Beijing with the participation of observers from both China and the United States, as well as official meetings with Admiral **Miao Hua**, Director of the Political Department of the Chinese Central Military Commission, and Ambassador **Terry Branstad**, the U.S. Ambassador to the People's Republic of China.

## Meet the Delegates



Admiral (ret.) William A. Owens and Admiral Miao Hua discuss the U.S.-China military relationship.



General (ret.) Norton A. Schwartz offers insights to Chinese delegates.



Left to right: Admiral (ret.) William A. Owens, General (ret.) Li Andong and Mr. Xin Qi.

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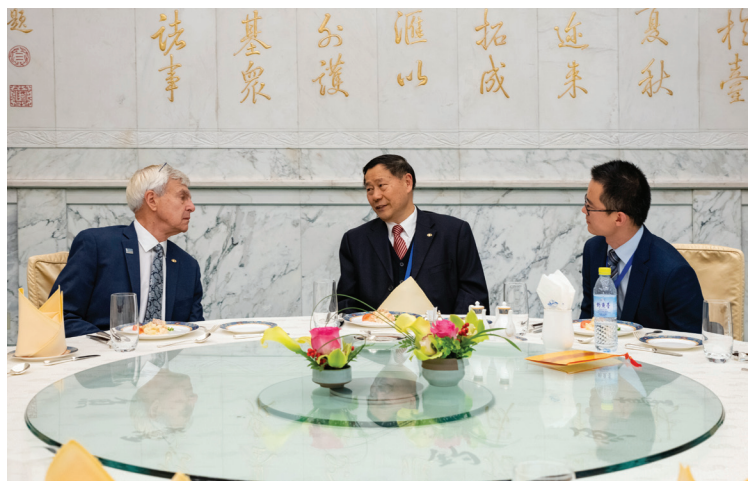
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Ambassador Karl W. Eikenberry listens to presentations from Chinese delegates.



General (ret.) Li Andong (left) and General (ret.) Qi Jianguo confer with a U.S. delegate.



Discussion continues over lunch between Admiral (ret.) William A. Owens and General (ret.) Qi Jianguo.

# U.S. Delegation Activities

Sanya Initiative delegates met with Admiral **Miao Hua**, Director of the Political Department of the Chinese Central Military Commission.



U.S. delegates met with Ambassador **Terry Branstad**, U.S. ambassador to the People's Republic of China.



Delegates gathered for dialogue at the **Diaoyutai State Guesthouse**.



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